

RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES SYNOPSIS
June 14, 2017 – 8:30 a.m.
Jerry Hammond Building
1111 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43205

Call to Order

8:34 a.m.

Present

Commissioners: Michael Brown, Derrick Clay, Dave Paul, Karla Rothan & Mo Wright

Staff: Tony Collins, Eric Brandon, Stephanie Brock, Nancy Colvin, Aparna Donthi, Troy Euton, Cindy Farson, Sophia Fifner, Alesia Howard, Brian Hoyt, Mario Martin, Rick Miller, Paul Rakosky & Brad Westall

Guests: Robert Grinch

Previous Board Meeting minutes

On a motion made by Commissioner Rothan and seconded by Commissioner Brown the May minutes were unanimously accepted.

Old Business

None

New Business

CONSENT AGENDA – Director Collins read thru all consent agenda items and advised the Commission to ask any questions they may have

1. Ord# 1446-2017 (Park Street Festival Alcohol Permit 2017)

***Title:** To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to grant consent to an organization to apply for permission to sell alcoholic beverages at the following 2017 event:*

1) Marine Corp. Family Support Community for the Park Street Festival, August 25-27.

2. Ord# 1450-2017 (Haus und Garten Tour in German Village 2017) – Submitted and Approved by Council on June 5th

***Title:** To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to grant consent to an organization to apply for permission to sell alcoholic beverages at the following 2017 event:*

1) German Village Society for the Haus und Garten Tour Pre-Tour Event, June 24.

- 3. Ord# 1368-2017 (2017 COAAA Building & Maintenance Services)**
Title: To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to make payments to HER, LLC for the second year of a four-year building maintenance service contract for the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$370,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$370,000.00)
- 4. Ord# 1461-2017 (COAAA 2017 PASSPORT Funding Appropriation)**
Title: To authorize an appropriation in the amount of \$70,000,000.00 from the unappropriated balance of the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund to the Recreation and Parks Department to provide home care and assisted living services to older adults in connection with the Pre-Admission Screening System Providing Options and Resources Today (PASSPORT) Medicaid Waiver Program in Central Ohio; and to declare an emergency. (\$70,000,000.00)
- 5. Ord# 1419-2017 (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Grant)**
Title: To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to accept a grant in the amount of \$69,768.49 and enter into an agreement with the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services to provide camp fees for children from low-income families; to appropriate \$69,768.49 to the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$69,768.49)
- 6. Ord# 1548-2017 (Golf CIP Auditors Certificate 2017)**
Title: To authorize and direct the City Auditor to set up a certificate in the amount of \$50,000.00 for various expenditures for labor, material, and equipment in conjunction with Recreation and Parks golf course improvements; to authorize the expenditure of \$50,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$50,000.00)
- 7. Ord# 1549-2017 (Park/Playground CIP Auditors Certificate 2017)**
Title: To authorize the City Auditor to set up a certificate in the amount of \$300,000.00 for various expenditures for labor, materials, and equipment in conjunction with park improvements within the Recreation and Parks Department; to authorize the expenditure of \$300,000.00 from the Voted Recreation and Parks Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$300,000.00)
- 8. Ord# 1550-2017 (Asphalt Improvements 2017)**
Title: To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Pavement Protectors, Inc. dba M&D Blacktop Sealing for Asphalt Improvements to various parks and community centers; to authorize the expenditure of \$100,000.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$100,000.00)

On a motion made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Wright the Commission unanimously approved the Consent Agenda.

ADMINISTRATION AGENDA

9. Ord# 1544-2017 (Site Furnishings 2017)

Title: To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Builderscape, Inc. for the demolition of some old and installation of new benches and trash receptacles at Franklin, Hanford Village and Nelson Parks; to authorize the expenditure of \$85,027.88; and to declare an emergency. (\$85,027.88)

10. Ord.# 1546-2017 (Gym Floor Refinishing 2017)

Title: To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Traditional Hardwood Floors, LLC for the restoration of wood flooring at Cleo Dumaree Athletic Complex, Barack Community Center, Holton Community Center, Sullivant Gardens Community Center, and Westgate Community Center; to authorize the expenditure of \$74,000.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$74,000.00)

11. Ord# 1557-2017 (Goodale & Schiller Masonry Renovations)

Title: To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with 2K General Company for the restoration of columns at Goodale and Schiller Parks; to authorize the expenditure of \$356,508.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$356,508.00)

12. Ord.# 1545-2017 (Southgate Park Development)

Title: To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Tyevco, Inc. for the development of Southgate Park; to authorize the expenditure of \$273,875.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$273,875.00)

13. Ord.# 1556-2017 (Olentangy Trail – Arena District Connector Bridge)

Title: To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Burgess and Niple for engineering services for the Olentangy Trail - Arena District Connector; to authorize the expenditure of \$202,708.33; and to declare an emergency. (\$202,708.33)

14. Ord.# 1558-2017 (Alum Creek Trail – OLAC AEP Westerville Rd Connector)

Title: To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Strawser Paving Company for the construction of a .5 mile trail connector to the Alum Creek Trail; to authorize the expenditure of \$395,000.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$395,000.00)

15. Ord.# 1581-2017 (Alum Creek Trail – Shepard Connector Grant Acceptance)

Title: To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to accept a grant and enter into a grant agreement with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for the appropriation of grant and matching fund from the Clean Ohio Trails Fund-Alum Creek Trail---Shepard Connector; to authorize the appropriation of \$401,446.00 to the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund; to authorize the City Auditor to transfer \$152,984.00 within the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$401,446.00)

16. Ord.# 1541-2017 (Downtown Riverfront Non-Motorized Watercraft Concession)

Title: To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with HERO USA for the operation of a non-motorized watercraft rental concession for the general public; and to declare an emergency. (\$0)

- Commissioner Brown – RFP wasn't communicated well; there seems to be fundamental flaws in the process.
- Commissioner Rothan asked were there any studies done for CRPD to use as a comparison for vendors and water usage.
- Deputy Director Rakosky stated that funding/revenues will be brought back to the Commission.
- Commission Brown asked if Ord#1541-2017 (item #16) could be voted on separately.

On a motion made by Commissioner Rothan and seconded by Commissioner Wright ord.# 1541-2017 was approved (4-1).

17. COMMISSION ONLY (Smoke & Tobacco Free Zone Policy)

Title: To modify the Tobacco Free Zone Policy for Parks to include alternative uses (such as vape pipes, e cigarettes and snuff) and to include Smoke Free as well as Tobacco Free; The zones do not change from 2013 but add an extra layer; Free zones are children's play areas, pools, spray areas, special events, restrooms and sporting events. (\$0)

On a motion made by Commissioner Paul and seconded by Commissioner Clay the Commission unanimously approved the Administration Agenda. Ord. 1541-2017 was voted on separately.

PARKS & OPERATIONS AGENDA

18. Ord.# 1534-2017 (Auditors Certificate for Park Maintenance Equipment)

Title: To authorize the Director of Finance and Management to enter into various contracts for the purchase of maintenance equipment for the Recreation and Parks Department; to authorize the expenditure of \$848,500.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund, to establish an Auditor's certificates in the amount of \$848,500.00; to amend the 2017 CIB and transfer funding within Fund 7702 and 7747; and to declare an emergency. (\$848,500.00)

On a motion made by Commissioner Wright and seconded by Commissioner Clay the Commission unanimously approved the Park Maintenance & Operations Agenda.

RECREATION & PROGRAM SERVICES

19. Ord.# 1511-2017 (Auditors Certificate for Game Room Equipment)

Title: To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into various contracts for the purchase of equipment and improvement services for the Recreation and Parks Department; to authorize the expenditure of \$50,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks

Permanent Improvement Fund; to amend the 2017 CIB, transfer funding within the Permanent Improvement Fund; and to establish an auditor's certificate in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the purchase of various equipment. (\$50,000.00)

20. Cedar Run Park Hours – COMMISSION ONLY

This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to modify the park hours for Cedar Run Park. The community, the Columbus Police and the Area Commission/Civic Associations are requesting to change the park hours of Cedar Park from 7am-11p, to sunrise to sunset hours. With this, all believe that the illegal activities within the park and surrounding community will lessen and provide safer neighborhoods.

On a motion made by Commissioner Rothan and seconded by Commissioner Wright the Commission unanimously approved the Recreation & Program Services Agenda.

YOUTH & FAMILY DEVELOPMENT – No Legislation

Presentation

Mario Martin, Administrator of the APPS Program, gave a presentation to the Commission.

Director's Comments

- Introduced new members of the Recreation and Parks – Community Relations Team
 - Sophia Fifner
 - Alesia Howard
 - Nancy Colvin
- P.L.A.Y. Outing raised over \$92,000.00
- Participated in two *Good Day Columbus* interviews this week
- The African American Cultural Festival was well put together and well attended
- CRPD Summer Camps started this week
- Special Events does a lot of great work behind the scenes for all of the festivals/events that take place in the city
- Skate Parks & Skate Areas
- Doing quite a few community outreach meetings

Commission Comments

- Commissioner Paul
 - Great opening at the Lushutka Event Center
 - Commissioner Stull will be out for a little bit; should be back when we reconvene in September
 - Thank you to Commissioner Wright is leading the review process of the Director
 - Informal review will be sent to the Commission
 - Formal review will be sent to the Mayor's office; Commissioner Paul will reach out to the Mayor for input
- Commissioner Clay – New signage looks great
- Commissioner Paul gave an update on IEG; best practices received

- Commissioner Adair stated that we should work on “emergency shelter” process. During the last emergency their seemed to be a little hectic

Public Comments

- Mr. Grinch – Good job on the golf tips that have been showing in the Columbus Dispatch

Adjournment

On a motion made by Commissioner Paul and seconded by Commissioner Rothan the meeting adjourned at 10:30a.